

Arlington Contributory Retirement Board Meeting Minutes February 23, 2023

Call to order Regular Monthly Meeting

Chairman Hughes called the monthly meeting to order at 4:30 PM

Board Members present: Chairperson Kenneth Hughes, Ida Cody, Robert Jefferson Richard Keshian and Fred Fantini

Motion and vote to approve Expense Warrant #2 and 2C and the February 2023 Payroll Warrant

After review and discussion, Ms. Cody made a motion to approve the Expense Warrant # 2 and 2C and the February Payroll Warrant for payment, seconded by Mr. Jefferson. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini, Mr. Keshian and Chairman Hughes I.

Motion and vote to approve Minutes for January 26, 2023

After review and discussion, Mr. Fantini made a motion to approve the January 26, 2023, Minutes seconded by, Mr. Jefferson The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Ms. Cody, Mr. Keshian, Mr. Fantini, and Chairman Hughes

Motion to approve new AHA member.

After review and discussion Mr. Fantini made a motion to approve the new Arlington Housing Authority member as listed, seconded by Mr. Keshian. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Ms. Cody, Mr. Keshian, Mr. Fantini, and Chairman Hughes I.

<u>Name</u>	Date of Membership	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Position</u>
Sarah Pelayo	01-16-2023	9+2%	Family Self-Sufficient Coordinator

Motion to approve new Town member.

After review and discussion Ms. Cody made a motion to approve the new town members as listed, seconded by Mr. Jefferson. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Ms. Cody, Mr. Keshian, Mr. Fantini, and Chairman Hughes I.

<u>Name</u>	Date of Membership	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Position</u>	
Lorraine Tauches	01-30-2023	9+2%	Children Librarian	

Motion to approve new School members.

After review and discussion Mr. Keshian made a motion to approve the new school department members as listed, seconded by Mr. Fantini. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Ms. Cody, Mr. Keshian, Mr. Fantini, and Chairman Hughes I.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Membership</u> <u>Percentage</u>		<u>Position</u>	
Danielle Daversa	02-07-2023	9+2%	AASP Teacher Assistant	
Julie Garry	01-03-2023	9+2%	Cook/Manger Cafeteria	
Sofia Gollobin	01-03-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistant	
Samantha Jones	11-28-2022	9+2%	Athletic Trainer	
Azul Lora Pena	01-26-2023	9+2% AASP Tea		
Kaley Moran	01-17-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistant	
Lila Murray	01-24-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistant	
Conner Rudden	01-23-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistant	
Jacob Peters	01-17-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistant	
Jean Scimemi	02-01-2023	9+2%	Traffic Supervisor	
Joe Spacco	01-31-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistants	
Ava Tankersley	01-23-2023	9+2%	AASP Teacher Assistant	
Meredith Wall	01-03-2023	9+2%	Teachers Assistant	

Acknowledgement of retiree's survivors and employees who have passed since the last Board Meeting, Keith Grant Evelyn Meagher

The Chairman requested a moment of silence in honor of the deceased.

		Department/	Retirement Date	
Deceased	Date of Death	Position		Status
Keith		Maintenance/		
Grant	02/04/2023	Electrician		Employee
Evelyn		Food Services/		
Meagher	02/09/2023	Cafeteria Helper	04/27/2004	Retiree

Motion and vote Refunds and Rollovers

Motion and vote of a refund of accumulated deductions for Ms. Kayla Vodka in the amount of \$27,922.61. Ms. Vodka had 4 years and 2 months of creditable service working as The Board of Health Coalition Director.

After review and discussion Mr. Keshian made a motion to approve the refund for Ms. Vodka seconded by Mr. Jefferson. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

Motion and vote of a refund of accumulated deductions for Ms. Justine Bloch in the amount of \$10,706.11. Ms. Bloch had 10 years and 1 months of creditable service serving as a Teacher's Assistant for the Arlington School Department.

After review and discussion Ms. Cody made a motion to approve the refund for Ms. Bloch seconded by Mr. Fantini. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

Motion and vote of a refund of accumulated deductions for Ms. Dana Freedman in the amount of \$1,944.46. Ms. Freedman had 9 months of creditable service serving as a Teacher's Assistant for the Arlington School Department.

After review and discussion Mr. Fantini made a motion to approve the refund for Ms. Freedman seconded by Mr. Jefferson. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

Motion and vote of a refund of accumulated deductions for Ms. Rachael Gettleman in the amount of \$4,550.31. Ms. Gettleman had 2 years and 9 months of creditable service serving as a Teacher's Assistant for the Arlington School Department.

After review and discussion Mr. Fantini made a motion to approve the refund for Ms. Gettleman seconded by Mr. Keshian. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

Legal RFP

Mr. Greco provided the Board with the sample RFP from the PERAC Website to the Board for review. After discussion it was decided that the Board members will review the sample and provide recommendation at the March Board Meeting for the RFP.

Section 9 Arthur McLean

Mr. Greco provided the Board with PERAC legal opinion that his spouse Donna Mclean is the eligible beneficiary should Mr. Mclean's Section 9 benefit be approved. After review and discussion Mr. Jefferson made a motion to approve Mr. Mclean's section 9 benefit pending PERAC's approval, seconded by Mr. Keshian. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

Election Policy

After review and discussion Mr. Jefferson made a motion to approve the Election Policy seconded by Mr. Keshian. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

New Business

PERAC MEMO # 4/2023 Cola Vote for FY 24 7/1/23

After review and discussion Mr. Jefferson made a motion to have the COLA Hearing and Vote for the 3% FY 24 Cola prior to the March 23, 2023, Monthly Board Meeting, seconded by Mr. Keshian. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

The Chairman requested the Board's approval for travel to the NCPERS conference in New Orleans in May of 2023. Ms. Cody made a motion to approve Mr. Hughes travel seconded by Mr. Fantini and motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.

Mr. Greco informed the Board that PERAC approved the Electronic Signature Regulation and that the Town Manger presented the 5% COLA increase to the Selectboard, and it was approved 5-0. Mr. Greco told the Board that retro and increase will be paid to eligible retirees and survivors in the March 31,2023 payroll.

Adjourn

At 6:11 PM Mr. Fantini made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Jefferson. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote Mr. Jefferson I, Mr. Keshian I, Ms. Cody I, Mr. Fantini I, and Chairman Hughes I.